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**AMENDMENT**

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Responsive to the Office Action mailed 09/19/2006, applicants submit amended claims beginning at page 2. A REMARKS section follows the amendment.

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The recitation of distinctness of image of at least 60 in claim 1 is disclosed on page 11, lines 17-18 of the specification. The recitation of the thickness of 8 to 60 mils is in the original claim 22. The recitation of thickness of 12 to about 40 mils or 60 to 400 mils is on page 17, lines 13-16.